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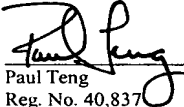
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Pursuant to the applicant's duty of disclosure, the information listed in the attached Form PTO-1449 is brought to the attention of the Examiner. A copy of the information listed in the attached Form PTO-1449 is submitted herewith.

The enclosed items were cited in an April 5, 2006 official Communication and European Search Report in connection with a corresponding European application. A copy of the April 5, 2006 Communication and European Search Report is also enclosed. Other references (EP 0 735 158, EP 0 717 404, EP 0 847 049 and EP 1 011 101) cited in the April 5, 2006 Communication and European Search Report were previously submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement filed July 31, 2003 in connection with this application and therefore is not being enclosed herewith.

It is respectfully requested that the information cited in the annexed Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner in connection with the above-identified patent application, and that such art be made of record in said application.

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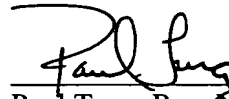
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